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MEMORANDUM FOR PROCLTR DISTRIBUTION LIST

SUBJECT: Justifications and Approvals (J&A) for Other Than Full and Open Competition

A recent audit report issued by the DoD Inspector General questioned the validity of a J&A, citing 10 U.S.C. 2304(c)(1), only one responsible source and no other supplies or services will satisfy agency requirements. This J&A was approved by the Commander of the Activity concerned. However, the Commander made an annotation on the covering summary that he questioned the justification but signed it anyway. This annotation left the impression that there was not full agreement as to the appropriate course of action.

In preparing future J&As for other than full and open competition, you should assure that the documentation fully justifies the action contemplated (FAR 6.303-2(a)). If reaching a satisfactory level of assurance requires you to obtain additional information from the requiring activity, you should request the necessary information (FAR 6.303-1(b) and 6.303-2(b)). In addition, all issues should be resolved prior to final approval of the J&A.

This PROCLTR expires, for record keeping purposes, upon dissemination to contracting personnel. Our point of contact for this action is Mr. Gregory Ellsworth, DLSC-POA, (DSN) 427-1369.

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